

NEWS OF THE SPORTING WORLD

HOUSE CLEANING FOR BRUINS SOON

Weeding Out Along Wholesale Line Scheduled for This Week in Chicago National Camp.

BRENNAN DEAL STILL DARK

Weegman Confers With Deposed Cub Manager, But No Deal Is Announced—Russell Signs.

Chicago, Jan. 25.—House-cleaning along wholesale lines is scheduled this week at Cub headquarters. Eleven former Bruins and Whales already have wended their several and respective ways to other fields of endeavor, and, according to plans outlined by Manager Tinker, 10 more will be shipped hence before Saturday. At least five of the undesirables—three of them pitchers—will go to other National league teams.

Secrecy surrounds the identities of the players listed to draw the gate, but the fact that several pilots in the parent circuit have besieged Tinker with offers for the hurlers in question is an indication that they are regarded by Joe's competitors as still able to deliver. A number of minor league magnates have agreed to take over five other athletes.

Clean Up Fed Affairs.

Weegman was busy yesterday, conferring in the morning with Roger Bresnahan and in the afternoon buckled to the task of cleaning up the affairs of the Whales. Owing to the absence of William Wrigley Jr. and J. Ogden Armour, in California, the Cub executive does not expect to hold the first meeting of the stockholders for another month.

Nothing was done in the case of Bresnahan. The latter declared he wanted nothing more than an even break and announced he had laid his plans to assume the management and part ownership of the Toledo A. A. club. This franchise (now known as the Cleveland Spiders) is in the hands of the bankers who have charge of Charlie Somers' affairs, and the price wanted is said to be \$115,000.

"I am going to do everything in my power to help Bresnahan land in Toledo," said Weegman, "and to that end will call on Ban Johnson tomorrow morning. Roger made no unreasonable demands, and our chat was very pleasant. I have not considered making an investment in the Toledo club, and cannot say that I will assist Bresnahan financially in swinging the deal."

Moves Hurler's Desk.

During Weegman's strenuous official workout Secretary Charlie Williams kept on the job of removing old Cubs' offices and park to the new headquarters and the North Side plant. Among the articles transferred to Weegman park was the desk presided over by William Hurlbert, first president of the Chicago National league club and first prey of the league.

Reb Russell has ceased to shine in the role of a holdout. The burly Texas southpaw fell into line yesterday, when his signed contract was received at Sox headquarters.

CHOOSE WITHINGTON AS BADGERS' MENTOR

Madison, Wis., Jan. 25.—A conference will be held soon between the special athletic investigation committee of the board of regents of the University of Wisconsin, athletic council which recommended the employment of Dr. Paul O. Withington of Harvard for football coach next season, and representatives of the alumni association for the purpose of securing unanimous support of the tender of the job to Withington. Regents here last night said that it was practically certain that Withington would be the next football coach.

Spencer Red Belts Win.

In a fast basketball game staged last night at the school gym at Forty-first street and Seventh avenue, the Spencer Red Belts defeated the Athletics 16 to 10. Next Monday night the Spencer Red Belts will meet the Baptist team of Moline. The lineup in last night's tilt: Red Belts—Smith and Roberts, forwards; Duffin, center; Olson, Myers, Tope and Buckert, guards; Athletics—Duffey and Lundahl, forwards; Davenport, center; McGinis and Wolf, guards.

Minneapolis, Jan. 25.—Packey Hommey of New York and Otto Wallace of Milwaukee will meet as the headliners of a boxing bill here tonight.

All the news all the time—The Argus.

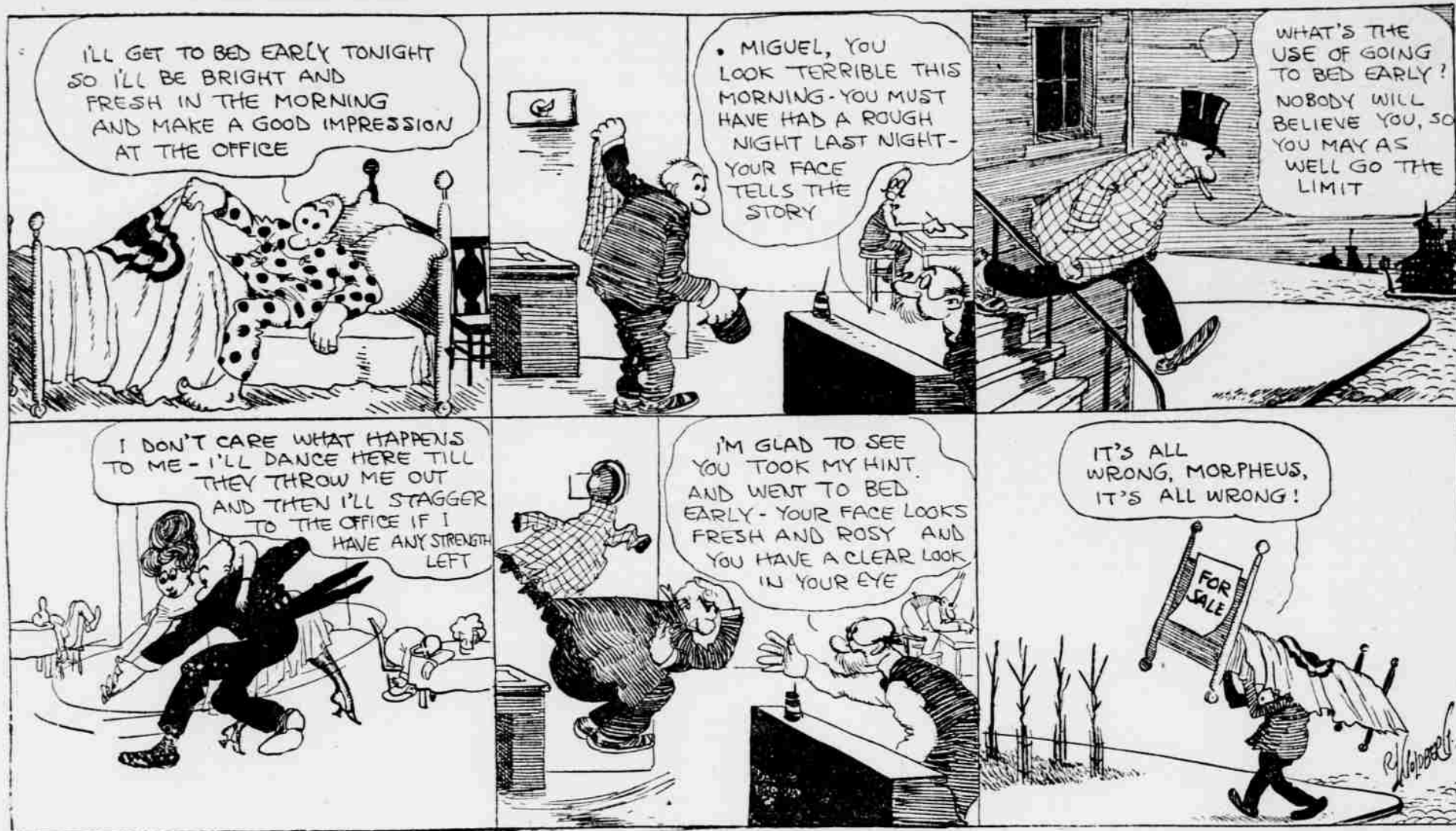
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ANNOUNCE COURSE FOR NEXT WINTER

Baptist Young People's Society Arranges Entertainments for the Season of 1916-17.

The Young People's society of the First Baptist church has arranged with the Century Lyceum bureau of Chicago to present a series of attractions at the church during the winter of 1916-17. The course will consist of five numbers as follows:

The Original Strollers, a male quartet featuring the Swiss hand bells. The Concert Favorites, three ladies who are singers and readers. Henry Clark, in his popular lecture, "Play Ball."

The Genevieve Smith company, two ladies, one a singer and reader, the other a harpist.

The Caveny company, a man who is both an artist and a clay modeler; also two ladies, one a singer, the other a pianist.

Each of these numbers was picked with the idea of furnishing a high class entertainment and the society feels that it is going to have one of the best series of attractions ever offered in the city.

PEORIA TO SEND 12 TEAMS OF PIN MEET

Peoria, Ill., Jan. 25.—Twelve teams will represent Peoria at Toledo, Ohio, it was announced here. Secretary A. L. Langtry has been notified to hold March 10 and 11 for the Peoria bowlers.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 25.—Seventeen teams signed up at a meeting of bowlers here yesterday to compete in the American bowling congress at Toledo in March, and it was announced that Secretary A. L. Langtry had set March 20 as Indianapolis day. It is probable the number of Indianapolis teams will be increased to more than 20.

WITH THE BOXERS

New York, Jan. 25.—Any time Jess Willard, heavy-weight champion, wants to pick up \$25,000 he can do it by boxing ten rounds in Madison Square Garden with Jim Coffey, the Irish heavy-weight who has twice been knocked out by Frank Moran. Billy Gibson, manager of Coffey, yesterday wired Willard this offer, and if the heavy-weight title-holder accepts Wednesday his guarantee will be posted by Gibson.

Cambridge, Mass., Jan. 25.—Theodore Roosevelt may again enter the ring on Feb. 18. It was proposed here yesterday to invite Roosevelt, Christy Mathewson and John L. Sullivan to act as judges at the Harvard boxing tournament at the Harvard Union on that date. Sullivan has already indicated that he will accept an invitation.

The tournament will be the first since Colonel Roosevelt was a student at Harvard and did a great deal of boxing himself. Forty students will compete in the tournament. Among them will likely be the colonel's son, Archie.

New York, Jan. 25.—Willie Ritchie's chance for revenge will come when he meets Ted Lewis here Friday night. Ritchie will fight as a welter instead of as a lightweight, of which class he was champion when English Ted walloped him. Ritchie declared he would rush the battle to a quick finish.

Heavies Charley Weinert and Jim Savage will meet Wednesday. The Jack Dillon-Tom Cowler go has been postponed until Feb. 1 on account of Dillon's illness.

HE'LL STRENGTHEN ST. JOSEPH CLUB



Walter Keating.

Jack Holland, owner of the St. Joseph team of the Western league, has just bought Walter Keating, Cub shortstop, of Joe Tinker. Keating had two trials with the Cubs and on both occasions looked like a big leaguer in his fielding, but was weak with the bat.

TEARNEY OUTLINES SEASON'S SCHEDULE

According to a story given out this morning by Howard Klove, spokesman for the Rock Island Three-Eye Baseball association, President Tearney is so confident of winning in the Rock Island territorial dispute that he has had a tentative schedule outlined including this city and Bloomington. The plan of the schedule is to pair Rock Island with Peoria, Davenport with Moline, Rockford with Freeport and Quincy with Bloomington, or in other words, Rock Island and Peoria will have home games on the same dates, and Moline and Davenport will be on the road, or Rock Island will be on the road when Davenport and Moline have home games.

NON-PROFESSIONAL AUTO RACE FOR CHI

Chicago, Jan. 25.—The contest board of the American Automobile association has given its sanction to the holding of the first annual western inter-club non-professional automobile race, to be held here in May, according to an announcement made today. Only non-professional drivers and mechanics will be allowed to compete.

Hockey League Meets.

Chicago, Jan. 25.—A meeting of the Indiana and Illinois Hockey league will meet here tonight to frame a schedule. Thirteen teams have been admitted to membership in the league and applications are on file for three more.

EASTERN LEAGUE HAS REORGANIZED

Newark, N. J., Is Left Out in Cold When Circuit Is Reformed at New York Meeting.

RICHMOND CLUB TO BALTIMORE

Jannin Sells Providence Team and Buys Minority Stock in the Buffalo Association.

New York, Jan. 25.—A tentative reorganization of the International Baseball league circuit was accomplished yesterday, but Newark was left out in the cold for the present. Newark may get a place in the circuit later, but the old Newark franchise, which was transferred last season to Harrisburg, has been shifted to Richmond, Va., and if Newark is represented next season the Jersey City club will be transferred to that city.

The Richmond club has been sent back to Baltimore and will be managed by Jack Dunn. The Federal league situation in Baltimore and Buffalo was not discussed.

Lannin Buys and Sells.

The Providence club was sold by Joseph J. Lannin, who also owns the Boston Red Sox, to William H. Draper, a Providence business man who owned the club several years ago, for \$30,000. Mr. Lannin, it was announced, has bought all the minority stock in the Buffalo club. Last season Mr. Lannin indorsed a number of notes for the Bisons and was of much assistance to them financially, when they were hard pressed by the Federal league invasion.

In relation to the claim of Charles H. Ebbets, owner of the Brooklyn club, to the national commission against the league for \$74,000 for money loaned to the old Newark club, President Barrow read a letter in which he pointed out that there was no Newark franchise, as it had been declared forfeited after the stockholders had failed to live up to their obligations.

Managers Looking for Berths.

As there will be some managerial jobs to fill in the International league, many former major league players were at the meeting. Matty McIntyre, the former Detroit player, who last year managed the Lincoln, Neb., club, is mentioned as a possible manager at Providence. Tommy Leach, John Hummel, Harry McCormick and Larry Schaffly conferred with the International league club owners. Joe Birmingham, former manager of the Cleveland Americans, is also looking for a job as manager in the International league.

16 TENNIS TROPHIES STOLEN IN NEW YORK

New York, Jan. 25.—No trace has been found of 16 valuable lawn tennis trophies, all pieces of silverware, stolen a month ago from Harold H. Hackett, former national and international champion in doubles. News of Mr. Hackett's loss became public today. The trophies disappeared from Mr. Hackett's rooms in a New York hotel.

Gotch to Defend Title.

New York, Jan. 25.—Frank Gotch is to return to wrestling via a contract with Jack Curley. Gotch will be a circus feature with a road show this summer, it was stated here. He will meet all comers and any man who keeps his shoulders up 15 minutes with him gets \$100. Later, it is declared, Gotch will defend his title against all comers.

URGE HEDGES TO PURCHASE CARDS

Former Brown's Owner May Be Prevailed Upon to Take Over St. Louis Nationals.

St. Louis, Jan. 25.—The St. Louis Cardinals may change ownership within another week. President Britton admitted yesterday that the team may be sold within a few days, though he does not believe that Harry Sinclair will be purchaser. Britton says that a wealthy St. Louisian, whose name he will not divulge at present, is negotiating for the purchase of the club. The Cardinal magnate announced that he was asked to place a price on the club by the representatives of a local capitalist three or four days ago and that the St. Louisian now has the proposition under consideration. Britton expects to hear from him within the next two or three days.

Information around town is that friends of Bob Hedges are trying to prevail upon him to buy the Cardinals. It is known that Hedges can get all the backing he wants. He made such a tremendous success with the Browns that financiers are begging him to handle their money. It is also known that he has made a bid for the Kansas City club, but his friends want to keep him in St. Louis.

The failure of Harry Sinclair to continue negotiations after making his first bid for the club two weeks ago leads Britton to believe that the Tulsa oil magnate has abandoned his plans of buying the Robinson field outfit. Britton declared yesterday that he considers the deal with Sinclair off.

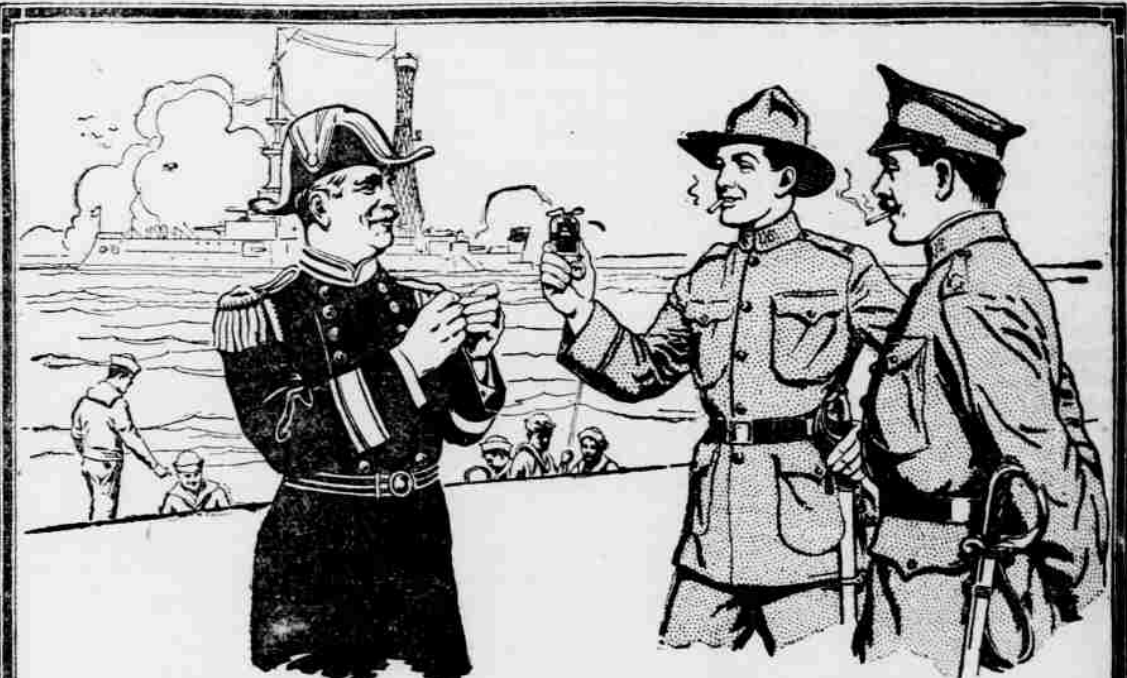
PORT BYRON TEAM IS BEATEN BY CORDOVA

The Cordova basketball team defeated the Port Byron five in a one-sided game at Cordova Saturday night by a count of 27 to 7. The Cordova men got away at the start and were never headed. The visitors were charged to resorting to rough work during the combat. A large crowd of basket fans witnessed the tilt. The lineup:

Port Byron—Heblie and Brennan, forwards; Schafer, center; Walker and Taylor, guards.

Cordova—Bruner and Zimmerman, forwards; Sew, center; Smith and Moody, guards.

Time keeper, Handell; referee, Daily; side line referee, Freck; scorer, Spoor.



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